

## Group 2

### Streetscape

The Gateway sign at Par & Edgewater has been maintained well and has beautiful landscape. The trees, buildings and awnings on the East side of the street add to the beauty of the streetscape. Edgewater Drive has a very unique appearance and an eclectic character. However, the palm trees along the street disrupt the streetscape continuity. Humongous signage on streets should be removed and the historical detail of the building facades should be preserved without looking ragged and out of place.

### Traffic

There are some lights along the Edgewater corridor that need to be removed, because they are causing traffic problems. It is possible that a multilane roundabout could resolve the traffic issues at the Par Edgewater intersection. The roundabout could slow down fast dangerous traffic at such a confusing intersection. Between Edgewater High school and Bishop Moore there is a shift from single lane to multi-lanes, which compels drivers to accelerate in a school zone. It is also hard to access the parking lots from certain parts of the corridor.

### Pedestrians

Many of the sidewalks are in poor condition, with cracks and uneven pavement. There seems to be a competition for the space available on the sidewalk. Trees, poles, utility cables and bushes seem to obstruct the already narrow pathways and make the sidewalks uncomfortable for pedestrians. The awnings and trees do not consistently provide shade along the sidewalks, and in some instances the trees are so low that pedestrians have to duck to avoid hitting the branches. There is also a need to reduce the amount of curb cuts, so that there are not as many interruptions in the pedestrian path and more focused vehicular circulation with the entryways and exits of parking lots. More drainage is necessary to prevent large puddles from collecting at curb cuts after rain. Some of the crosswalks are so wide that it may encourage pedestrians to jaywalk at narrower sections of the streets. All of the Plaza should have pedestrian access from the street.

### Transition

Bulb out parking will not just shade cars, and provide more space for the walkway, but it also provides a buffer between street and walkway. The transition from one business' parking to another could be smoother; ragged metal fences aren't aesthetically pleasing. Knee walls can be used to separate sidewalks from store parking lots.

### Community Feel

Edgewater Highschool provides a sense of community, with the way it is laid out. The large shade trees and sidewalks are inviting to the youth of the community and encourage drives to slow down and enjoy the scenery. Covered wide sidewalks in storefront areas make room for outside sales and that contributes to a positive community feel. It is most important to rebuild the trust between planning government and the citizens, by keeping the public informed about planned developments.